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TAGS: PINT, PINS-PORS, GY, US

SUBJECT:EXPORT LICENSE FOR TEAR GAS TO GUYANA

REF: GEORGETOWN 1490

1. DEPARTMENT HAS UNDER REVIEW AN EXPORT LICENSE FOR 14,500 TEAR GAS GRENADES AND PROJECTILES FOR THE GUYANA POLICE FORCE. THE ORDER HAS A VALUE OF \$140,000.
 2. IN VIEW OF CIRCUMSTANCES PREVAILING IN GUYANA, (SEE REFTTEL) REQUEST FOR THIS EQUIPMENT CANNOT BE CONSIDERED ROUTINELY. PURCHASE, WHICH IS UNUSUALLY LARGE, SEEMS TO POINT TO GOG'S FEARS THAT SERIOUS UNREST AND STREET DEMONSTRATIONS MAY OCCUR CONNECTED TO THE CONSTITUTIONAL REFERENDUM AS WELL AS THE WORSENING ECONOMIC CONDITIONS.
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USE BY AUTHORITIES OF THIS MATERIAL IN PURSUIT OF EFFORTS TO MAKE CONSTITUTIONAL CHANGES AND THUS AFFECT THE ELECTORAL PROCESS AND IMPLICATIONS FOR GUYANA'S HUMAN RIGHTS RECORD INCLINE DEPARTMENT TOWARD DISAPPROVAL OF THE LICENSE.

3. DEPARTMENT WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY ASSESSMENT OF THE SITUATION AND ITS RECOMMENDATIONS. VANCE

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